2. Orange and Banana growing areas in Amravati and Jalgaon District, Maharashtra.

(ii) Pilot Operational Projects

1. Union Territory of Delhi

2. Union Territory of Chandigarh.

(c) Gauribidanur and Mulbagal Taluks in Kolar District, Karnataka have been proposed for exploratroy artificial recharge strudies as per details given below:—

Taluk		Watershed/ Village Area (sq. km.)
I. Gauribidanur	(a) Bendihalla	86
	(b) Hosurhalla	76
	(c) Doddakurugodu	10
	(d) Menchenahalli village	10
	(e) Tokallahalli village	10
II. Mulbagal	(a) Nangli	260
	(b) Manchiganahalli village	6
	(c) Bhovi Bikkanahalli Doddahalla	33
	(d) Kottamangala	28

(d) Based on the Artificial Recharge Studies carried in Mehsana area of Gujarat in the year 1980—84 the cost per 1000 litres of recharged water has been estimated as Rs. 0.53 by Injection well method, Rs. 0.052 by Recharge pit method and Rs. 0.045 by Spreading Channel method.

(e) The techniques of artificial recharge being envisaged in Kolar District of Karnataka are Injection Wells, Percolation Tanks, Check dams and Sub-surface Dykes.

(f) In order to harness the natural flow which in generally available in surplus during Monsoon period, the Central Government is considering a proposal as a centrally sponsored scheme for putting the surplus flow into the sub-surface formations through artificial recharge scheme wherever feasible.

Average age of commanding officers in Indian Army

*353. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU:
SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether, as reported in the "Indian Express' of the17th July, 1994, the Indian Army is getting leaner and is also greying with the average age of commanding officers flunctuating between 44—46, years;

(b) if so, what is Indian Army's age balance vis-a-vis that of Pakistani Army, and what is the shortage of Officers in the rank of captains; and

(c) what steps have been taken and are being taken to keep the army young as per norms, while maintaining the sharpness of the cutting edge of operational units representing the officers at captain level?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) The average age of commanding officers of battalions in the Indian Army is 43 to 45 years.

(b) Government do not have authentic figures of the average age of commanding Officers of Pakistani battalions. There are a few shortages in the rank of Captain and below in the Army. This, however, has not affected the operational potential of the Army.

(c) Regular exercises and training programmes are carried out to keep the Army operationally fit. Steps have been taken to reduce the average age of the commanding officers of battalions including liberlisation of premature

retirement policy in case of officers who stand superseded or who do not have any career advancement prospects.

Unauthorised Hutments near IGIA

*354. SHRI JAYANT KUMAR MALHOUTRA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that buildings are not permitted near airports under the rules;

(b) whether a large number of unauthorised hutments near the Indira Gandhi International Airport, New Delhi are posing a serious threat to flight safety; and

(c) if so, how these structures were allowed to come up near the airport and what action is being taken to remove these structures to ensure flight safety?

(THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD):

(a) Buildings within 20 Kms. radius of the airport are not allowed in excess of the height prescribed in the rules framed under Section 9-A of the Aircraft, Act, 1934.

(b) and (c) Out of a total area of approximately 5050 acres of airport land, an area of about 4.5 acres is under unauthorised occupation of some hutment dwellers. The Land Acquisition Collector is yet to hand over vacant possession of this land to International Airports Authority of India after clearing the hutments. He has been requested to expedite the transfer of land to International Airports Authority of India.

Pension Rules

*355. SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal under Government's consideration to modify the Pension Rules, particularly relating to "commutation" part;

(b) whether any adverse effect on monthly pension due to commutation rules have come to the notice of Govenrment; and

(c) if so, the steps taken or proposed to be taken to rectify the situation?

(a) THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SMT. MARGARET ALVA): (a) and (b) No Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Deputy Superintendents of Police stagnating at maximum pay scale in CBI

*356. SHRI DAVID LEDGER: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the total strength of Deputy Superintendents of Police in the Central Bureau of Investigation;

(b) whether it is a fact that more than 25 per cent Deputy Superintendents of Police in CBI are stagnating at maximum pay scale; and

(c) if so, reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SMT. MARGARET ALVA): (a) The total strength of Dy. SP in the CBI in 293 as on 1.8.94.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Aircrafts and Helicopters with States

*357. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the States which have their own Aircrafts and Helicopters;

(b) the details of the Aircrafts and Helicopters, Statewise;

(c) how many Public Sector and Private Sector Companies are having Aaircrafts and Helicopters and what are the names of the Companies;

(d) what are the total landing charges collected by airport authorities from them during 1993-94; and